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Re: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled: PHAGE-DISPLAY PEPTIDES AS NOVEL
ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS AGAINST HAEMOPHILUS INFLUENZAE – Sharon
L. Bisho-Hurley, Francis J. Schmidt and Arnold L. Smith*
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Transmitted herewith for filing is a 48-page patent specification including 65 claims; an abstract and a four page sequence listing. Also included are Figures 1-6 on 6 sheets. The specification and drawings constitute the application of Sharon L. Bishop-Hurley, Francis J. Schmidt and Arnold L. Smith for the captioned invention.

Also transmitted herewith is a diskette containing the computer-readable form of those sequences in the specification, a Statement as Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), and a separate paper copy of the sequence listing.

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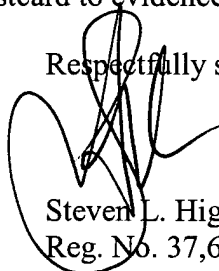
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